

My name is Renea Marr LeMar - as Historian for the Marr Family Reunions, I'd like to share some brief information about the Marr Families that traveled from Green County Kentucky to Sangamon County Illinois as early as 1914.

William Marr was the first to settle in Sangamon County and encouraged his brothers Claude, Robert, Marion, George and Edward to take advantage of the opportunity for farming the rich land in Sangamon County.

Before moving here permanently, George Marr came to work on the farms in 1920 to help with spring planting. That summer he was offered a job to work on the Bates Experimental Road which was a two mile strip on old route 36 that ran from Bates to the Farmingdale road. This experimental road was a great part of history for Sangamon County's infrastructure.

Robert Marr was one of the founding members of the Sangamon County Fair Board. Several of the Marr families have been instrumental in supporting the Sangamon County Fair as well as participating in many Sangamon County organizations that helped shape the community.

The Marr families worked hard and took great pride in their work. Much of the same land that was farmed by the early Marr settlers is still farmed by Marr descendants today.

Many descendants of these Marr brothers have lived or are living in Sangamon County and in addition to farming have worked in many professions such as Sangamon County deputy sheriff, trucking business owner/ operators, nurses, teachers, bankers, local trades, and many other intricate positions that continue to make Sangamon County a great place to live and work.

Sons of Andrew Jackson and Fannie Ann Marcum Marr born and raised in Green County Kentucky and moved to Sangamon County Illinois.

Picture #1 from Left to Right:

Edward Losson Marr, George Wesley Marr, Robert Milton Marr, James Marion Marr, Claude Leslie Marr, and William Thomas Marr.

Picture #2 from Left to Right:

Edward and Katie Cox Marr, George and Audrey Marcum Marr, Robert and Lula Mays Marr, Marion and Grace Bennett Marr, Claude and Nancy Russell Mefford Marr and William and Louisa Marshall Marr

Picture #3 from Left to Right:

Katie Cox Marr, Audrey Marcum Marr, Lula Mays Marr, Grace Bennett Marr, Nannie Russell Mefford Marr, and Louisa Marshall Marr

William Thomas Marr	08/04/1886 - 11/17/1966
Claude Leslie Marr	12/29/1888 - 04/07/1960
James Marion Marr	09/04/1891 - 11/25/1975
Robert Milton Marr	05/20/1895 - 06/03/1972
George Wesley Marr	06/24/1902 - 05/25/1993
Edward Losson Marr	05/14/1905 - 10/02/1974



